

Winds of Change: Latinos in the Heartland and the Nation

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ABSTRACT

A widely publicized Institute report, “Latinos in the Heartland: The Browning of the Midwest” (Aponte and Siles 1994), provided a Latino-focused preliminary assessment of the changing demographic and economic landscape of the Midwest between 1980 and 1990. This follow-up report provides a synopsis of those findings along with several additional findings based on census data not available at the time of the original report’s release. These new findings both elaborate on some of the key issues in the earlier report, and provide a more comparative context. In addition, a newly developing pattern of Latino settlement in the rural Midwest is explored.